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Subject: BUFILE 62-105253 (SERIALS 27 AND 38)

FOIPA No. 0932212- 000

Dear Requester:

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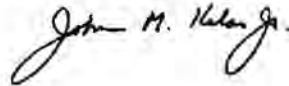
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☐ See additional information which follows.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "John M. Kelso Jr." with a stylized, cursive script.

John M. Kelso Jr.  
Section Chief,  
Freedom of Information-  
Privacy Acts Section  
Office of Public and  
Congressional Affairs.

Enclosure(s)



**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION  
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (62-105253)  
SAC, JACKSONVILLE  
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FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (157-571)

SUBJECT: WILLIAM POTTER GALE, aka.  
RACIAL MATTERS  
OO: Los Angeles

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DATE 10/5/88 BY SP186/AR

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Agency G-2, OMI OSI, IS & SS,

Date Form JAN 27 1964

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By *RL/SL*  
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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are eight copies of letterhead memorandum reflecting information concerning an organization known as the Army of White American Kingdom Evangelists, "Awake," alleged to have been organized by GALE. One copy of the letterhead memorandum is being furnished Jacksonville and Washington Field because of investigation being requested of those offices.

One copy of the letterhead memorandum is being furnished the 115th INTC, Region II, U. S. Army, Pasadena, California.

The indices of the Los Angeles Office reflect no information identifiable with Defenders of the American Constitution, Incorporated; [REDACTED] "Task Force;" and "Awake."

EX-102 REC-50 62-105253-27 b7c  
There is a reference in Los Angeles file 157-594 concerning an organization known as "Task Force;" about which New Orleans furnished information to the Bureau by airtel dated 6/7/63. This organization appears to pertain to the Congress of Racial Equality and is not the same organization referred to in the enclosed letterhead memorandum.

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Approved: *[Signature]* 1 FEB 1964  
Special Agent in Charge

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Los Angeles file 161-78-201 concerns information reported on 11/6/51 concerning a pamphlet entitled "Awake," which does not appear to be identical with the information in the letterhead memorandum.

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The source referred to in the letterhead memorandum is [REDACTED]

For the benefit of the Bureau, additional information concerning GALE is set forth in report of SA [REDACTED] dated 1/20/64 at Los Angeles, California, entitled "CHRISTIAN KNIGHTS OF THE INVISIBLE EMPIRE, aka. Ku Klux Klan; RACIAL MATTERS," Los Angeles file 157-712.

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AT ORMOND BEACH, FLORIDA: Will develop background information about the Defenders of the American Constitution, Incorporated, the publication known as "Task Force," the subscriber to Post Office Box 1677, and pertinent information concerning [REDACTED]

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AT WASHINGTON, D. C.: Will furnish Los Angeles pertinent information concerning the Defenders of the American Constitution, Incorporated, of Washington, D. C., referred to in the letterhead memorandum.

LOS ANGELES

AT LANCASTER, CALIFORNIA: Will report developments of the organization known as "Awake" and the activities of WILLIAM POTTER GALE concerning this and other organizations with which he is associated.





UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Los Angeles, California  
January 22, 1964

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A source who has furnished reliable information in the past made available information pertaining to an organization by the name of the Army of White American Kingdom Evangelists, also known as "Awake," which is believed to have originated with William Potter Gale, Lancaster, California.

Pertinent portions of the information furnished by source are set forth as follows:

"OPERATION 'AWAKE'"

"The DEFENSE DIVISION of the CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST, CHRISTIAN has been established with the short title 'AWAKE', representing the Army of White American Kingdom Evangelists.

"Organizational Structure:

"A National Command Headquarters has been established. The continental limits of the United States is divided into four (4) Zones, each consisting of a certain number of States and each commanded by a Zone Commander of AWAKE.

"A National Chaplain has been established and the Chaplain General appoints all Zone, State and District Chaplains and supervises the Education Department of AWAKE.

"Each State will contain an AWAKE militia - 'A militia being necessary for the security of a free STATE, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed.'

"The AWAKE militia of each State will be directed by a State Commander and necessary staff. U. S. Congressional Districts with their political subdivision numerical identities will contain AWAKE District Poses, each to be identified by the political subdivision number of their respective State Congressional Districts. (i.e. the 22nd Congressional District of California will contain California District Posse No. 22). State Commanders will be appointed by the respective Zone Commanders.

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"Each District Posse will consist of any number of CHAPELS, each Chapel consisting of thirteen (13) men (a squad) plus the wives or adult female members of their families.. Each individual will be known as a Christian soldier. Participation is limited to Christians of the white race. Initially, Chapel Leaders might be appointed by Area Coordinators until District Posse commanders are operable, at which time the District Posse commanders may appoint Chapel Leaders. (each Chapel constitutes a 'tape group' under the AWAKE Education Department).

"Each CHAPEL will constitute Committees as follows:

"(1) ANTI-CHRISTIAN ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE - will investigate anti-Christian activities in the Chapel's local community and maintain records and data of such activities for use by the District Posse.

"(2) COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE - is responsible for coordinating communications and communications equipment.

"(3) EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE - is responsible for coordinating the supply and maintenance of equipment as required by the Chapel. This includes coordination with District Posse commander for establishment of emergency assembly areas and evacuation routes.

"(4) EDUCATION COMMITTEE - is responsible for acquisition and distribution of educational material, receipt and routing of the Education Department tapes and conduct of weekly Chapel meetings.

"(5) FINANCE COMMITTEE - is responsible for the collection and distribution of Chapel funds as directed.

"A National Education Department of AWAKE has been constituted for the provision of educational material to all Chapels and functions under the supervision of the Chaplain General.

"A National Law Department of AWAKE has been constituted and appoints a Church Attorney General to supervise the Law Department. Zone Commanders appoint Zone Church Attorneys;

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State Commanders appoint State Church Attorneys and Posse District commanders appoint Posse District Church Attorneys. All Church Attorneys are under the technical supervision of the National Law Department and under the command supervision of their respective levels. Each should be a member of his respective Bar.

"Each CHAPEL Leader is required to become a dues paying member of the DEFENDERS OF THE AMERICAN CONSTITUTION, INC. of Washington, D.C. and thereby receive the Publication TASK FORCE as educational material for his respective CHAPEL. The Education Department of AWAKE will forward two tape recordings per week to each CHAPEL for use in weekly CHAPEL meetings.

"Financing: AWAKE will be self-financing. Each Christian soldier and participant of a CHAPEL should pledge tithes and offerings of at least Two Dollars per month. Life membership in AWAKE may be obtained by an offering of One Thousand Dollars. The Education Department should receive the initial Fifteen Dollars of tithes and offerings monthly from each CHAPEL to cover the minimum cost of tapes. Additional tithes and offerings may be forwarded to expand the Education Department's activities and as Church offerings. The balance of funds based upon the minimum pledge will be forwarded to Zone Commanders for distribution and payment of evangelist missionary expenses of National Headquarters, Zone Headquarters, State Headquarters and the District Posses.

"Oath: All participants in AWAKE will be required to take an oath as prescribed in future instructions.

"Recruitment: It is recommended that Zone Commanders appoint area or regional organizers or coordinators until such time as qualified State Commanders might be appointed. Coordinators should be paid for their work on a basis of One Dollar per person per month. Report forms will be used by Coordinators designating the CHAPELS they organize, thence funds can be appropriated monthly from tithes and offerings to the account of the coordinator. This method should entice good men to work hard and also provide the inducement toward speedy organization. A 'Guide' for Coordinators will be prepared for distribution.

"WPG."



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"AWAKE                      GUIDE FOR AREA COORDINATORS

"AWAKE Coordinators are assigned to one or more Congressional Districts as their respective areas of responsibility.

"The CHAPEL is the basic unit of AWAKE and should be the point of initial concentration for a Coordinator. A Chapel Leader should first be sought from the personal acquaintances of the Area Coordinator. This Leader should be trustworthy and dependable. Upon formation of a Chapel, the Area Coordinator should report such information to Zone Hq., Addressed: P.O. Box 911, Lancaster, California, Attn: Col. W.P. Gale. Only the Name, Address and Telephone Number of a Chapel Leader need be reported along with the Chapel Number (see next paragraph). A group of Chapels should first be formed before much effort is directed toward selection of a District Posse Commander for the Congressional District. In the event a Coordinator feels that a District Posse Commander can first be appointed who will voluntarily form a number of CHAPELS in his Posse District, then this decision is left with the Coordinator.

"Awake Area Coordinators need not maintain a record of the individual names of Christian soldiers who participate in Chapels, but the number of participants should be known to the Coordinator. Each Chapel should be designated by the basic number of the Congressional District with a 'dash' number commencing with the number 1. (Chapel 22-1, 22-2 etc for the 22nd Posse District).

"Chapel Leaders should be instructed to forward their Chapel tithes and offerings monthly (the first day of each month) to P.O. Box 911, Lancaster, California, Attn: Col. W.P. Gale. Tithes and offerings of each Chapel should be accompanied by a brief report identifying the Chapel by number and indicating the number of participants. This report will permit proper crediting to the account of the Area Coordinator.

"Chapel Leaders are required to subscribe to the publication of the DEFENDERS OF THE AMERICAN CONSTITUTION, INC. This publication is known as TASK FORCE. Rates are \$5.00 per year and subscriptions should be forwarded to TASK FORCE, P. O. Box 1677, Ormond Beach, Florida. Attn:

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"Area Coordinators should schedule regular meetings with CHAPEL Leaders until such time as sufficient District Posse commanders are appointed who will then maintain this coordination. At that time, the Area Coordinator may schedule meetings with Posse District commanders. These meetings may be semi-monthly and at least monthly. State Commanders will maintain coordination meetings with Area Coordinators and Zone Headquarters.

"Note on Communications: Each CHAPEL should strive toward acquisition of Citizen Band transceivers or participants who are HAM radio operators. The small Walkie-Talkie radio transceivers should be acquired by as many persons as possible. Channels 7 or 9 are usually installed in these.

"WPG

"Age of AWAKE Chapel participants. - There are no official age restrictions but the over-all purpose of AWAKE should be recognized by all leadership and the Chapels should correspond to the purpose. 18 to 80 is appropriate. It is suggested that Chapel Leaders form YOUTH GROUPS as an adjunct to the weekly conduct of Chapel affairs. WE NEED TO REACH THE YOUTH OF AMERICA! These youth groups may meet separately from the regular Chapel meetings or they can be conducted simultaneously, depending upon the local conditions such as availability of space, etc. The youth groups should initially be limited to the educational material and upon each youth's approach to a mature understanding of the problems, each one can be considered individually for graduation to an active role in a Chapel or formation of new Chapels with a majority of youth as participants. In all cases, mature adult leadership should be maintained where a majority of the Chapel is of a young age. It might be well to consider youth groups under the age of 18 years as Chapel STUDY GROUPS. There are exceptions for individual cases and these exceptions are at the discretion of the Chapel Leaders and the Area Coordinators. Youth tape study groups are essential!

"The possibility of a 'questionnaire' for prospective Chapel members might arise. This can be answered with a strong suggestion that the less red tape the better. Once Chapels

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commence the AWAKE educational material, a process of elimination should be expected. The basic requirements for participants being white Christians should suffice. Occasionally the enemy poses as such and infiltrates. In these instances, the 'message' will obtain reactions and it has been our experience that this reaction to the truth exposes the infiltration to the true participants. It might be mentioned here that some Chapels might initially be formed with all 'hard-core' - but this is not expected. We feel that the educational material, presented over a reasonable period of time, will DEVELOP hard core. This results from separation of the weak-kneed and filling up with others who become strong as a result of the true Christian teachings presented by AWAKE. Area coordinators should develop methods for constant evaluation of each Chapel and Chapel Leaders. Do not hesitate to replace weakness with strength. Use diplomatic methods for removing weak Chapel leadership by rotation of assignments within the Chapels. Constant attention should be given to functioning of the internal Chapel committees as outlined for the Chapels. This keeps participants busy, as well as providing the action necessary for evaluation and testing.

"Some might feel that 2½ hours of tape recordings is too much. This may be true for initiates - and then again it may not be so. This is a matter for analysis on each local level. We have many groups who spend as much as 5 and 6 hours listening to these tapes. Some cannot get enough after they have once started hearing them. If Chapel meetings commence at 7:30 or 8:00 PM, all can be home at 11:00 PM or even 10:00 PM if desirable. The average JBS Chapter meets until after midnight and no one seems to complain. This can be left to the discretion of the local Chapel - and tapes can be played on other than meeting nights at the homes of individuals if they so desire. Zig or Zag - but let the Word be heard.

"Publicizing the background of AWAKE leadership. - This can be better accomplished by word of mouth if at all, and even then carefully. In this fight against communism, the leadership should be protected as much as possible. We also should recognize that our leader is Jesus Christ and this can be the reply to inquisitive people.

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"Instruction Booklet. As time permits, we will prepare instruction booklets and guides for AWAKE operations. Initially, we should just 'get going' - because time's awastin'. Some people need detailed and itemized guidance. Others are self-starters. Right now, we need the self-starters - those who can read and analyze a project memo. If all AWAKE coordinators use the material they now have, all AWAKE Chapels will be on the same track. Flexibility should be maintained to meet the needs of different local conditions. The weekly flow of educational material to the Chapels will also assist in maintaining all along certain guide lines.

"A question might arise regarding the 13 participants per Chapel, and their female or other adult members of their families. Where there are previously organized groups with less than the 13 families, the previous set-up need not be disturbed. Simply lay the AWAKE program over the top and spread out on the AWAKE project while keeping the previous group as a separate entity for its original purpose. Let the newcomers come into a separate project and not even be aware of previous projects. The THIRTEEN is our number. See the Great Seal of the United States of America.

"We cannot expect full complement Chapels initially. They should start as smaller groups and fill in to the full complement as they grow with the educational program of AWAKE. Do not attempt restrictions in the area of denomination. Our purpose is to UNITE ALL WHITE CHRISTIANS, regardless of their sect or denomination. This is what Satan and his children fear! Satan and his kids like to keep white Christians (God's people) fighting amongst themselves and these denominations are used for that purpose. We must expect certain rebuffs from those individuals who have been subjected to error in their theological backgrounds. Whether or not they remain in their previous denomination after they hear the truth is an individual matter. The Chapel will no doubt replace the pulpit of many a phoney who is NOT preaching 'THUS SAYETH THE LORD'.

"Contact any local radio enthusiast or radio repair shop for info on Citizen Band radio sets. The Walkie Talkie sets also. Mobile sets are available for cars, with crystals for all



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channels. This will be a subject for an AWAKE booklet in the future but is flexible. No problem should exist on this subject if initiative is used.

"It is hoped that the above material can be helpful to Area Coordinators. Please do not hesitate to submit questions and seek assistance from Zone Hq. God bless you all. Let's SAVE AMERICA!

"WPG"

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Wesley Albert Swift, Minister of the Church of Jesus Christ - Christian, Lancaster, California, presided at this meeting and defined the objectives of the organization as preserving the Constitution of the United and the white race and to fight communism. The members were furnished white cloth robes and white cloth hoods with eye holes and instructed to wear the robes and firearms to subsequent meetings.

Source stated that the over-all structure of CKIE was as follows:

"FIRST FRONT" - This is the Church of Jesus Christ, Christian, and from its faithful members are recruited members for the

"SECOND FRONT" - This is the AWAKE MOVEMENT, and from this group are selected the more militant members who will comprise the



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"THIRD FRONT - This will be the CHRISTIAN KNIGHTS OF THE INVISIBLE EMPIRE, which will have the outward impression of a political-religious group not interested in violence and from this group will be selected the most militant for the

"INNER DEN - These persons will be the members of the CKIE who commit acts of violence."

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WILLIAM POTTER <sup>O</sup> GALE, aka		[REDACTED]	kep
		CHARACTER OF CASE	
		RACIAL MATTERS	b7C

REFERENCES: Report of SA [redacted] Dated 10/11/63  
at Los Angeles.  
Airtel from Los Angeles to the Bureau dated  
1/22/64.

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The Bureau and interested Offices have previously been furnished pertinent information set forth in this report concerning GALE's activities in Lancaster, California, in Los Angeles file 157-712, Bureau file 157-1127, entitled Christian Knights of the Invisible Empire, aka Ku Klux Klan; Racial Matters, see report of SA [redacted] dated January 20, 1964 at Los Angeles.

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By letter dated January 13, 1964 the Secret Service, Los Angeles, California, was furnished background information concerning GALE.

The Bureau is being requested to grant permission to interview GALE.



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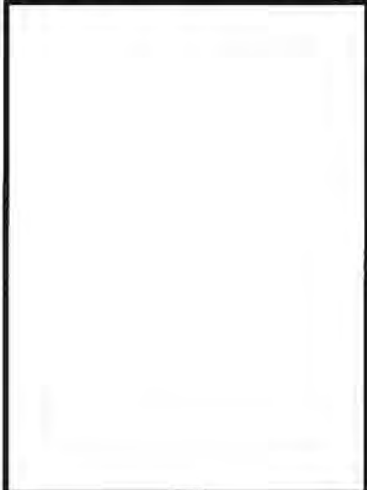

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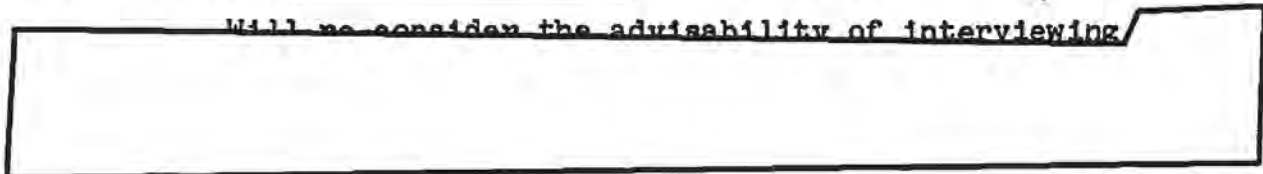
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AT MIAMI, FLORIDA: Will report pertinent information received from  concerning GALE.

Will no longer consider the advisability of interviewing 



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MOBILE

AT MOBILE, ALABAMA: Will report pertinent information obtained from informants concerning GALE [REDACTED]

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LOS ANGELES

AT LANCASTER, CALIFORNIA: Will through logical source, determine GALE's current activities and movements.

Will endeavor to determine additional information concerning his whereabouts on September 15, 1963.

Upon receipt of authority from the Bureau, will interview GALE concerning his whereabouts on September 15, 1963, and take necessary action to verify his whereabouts.

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Copy to: 1 - 115th INTC, Region II, Pasadena (RM)  
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Report of: [REDACTED]

Office: Los Angeles,  
California

Date:

MAR 19 1964

Field Office File #: 157-571

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Title: WILLIAM POTTER GALE

Character: RACIAL MATTERS

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Synopsis:

No information found with Los Angeles City License #284931  
Bureau concerning California Rangers. GALE was not  
one of the original incorporators of the California  
Rangers in 1944. Pertinent information filed by that  
organization with the Secretary of State, Sacramento,  
California, set forth. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] GALE b7C  
has associated with a group in Lancaster, California b7D  
who organized on October, 1963 under the name Christian  
Knights of the Invisible Empire (CKIE) with WESLEY  
ALBERT SWIFT as leader, and GALE as one of the principal  
members. On 11/10/63 Wilson's TV Sales Service, Lancaster,  
California, was burned by unknown individual. GALE and  
members of his group were questioned concerning  
the burning. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] GALE now has organization known as

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Army of White American Kingdom Evangelists, (Awake).  
[REDACTED] GALE is emotionally disturbed.  
Background and descriptive information of GALE set forth.

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DETAILS

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

On November 22, 1963 IC [REDACTED] checked with the Los Angeles City License Bureau, in an effort to develop information concerning the Civil Defense - California Rangers with negative results.

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The following information concerning illegal weapons, suspected Par-Military Organization and the California Rangers, was developed at Sacramento, California:

On September 27, 1963 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] California Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation (CII), advised that Attorney General [REDACTED] did not consult with CII officials or review CII files prior to his speech before the Zone Five Peace Officers Meeting in Torrance, California. [REDACTED] stated no arrangements have been made with CII to establish a clearing house in the CII Office at Los Angeles concerning information relating to illegal weapons and other activities of suspected Para-Military Organizations.

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[REDACTED] Agent in Charge, Investigative Unit, CII, on September 27, 1963 advised that no clearing house arrangements have been made between the Attorney General's Office and CII. He added that CII has conducted limited

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investigation of the California Rangers, but this investigation was closed in June, 1962. According to [redacted] all of the information developed is in the possession of [redacted] CII, Los Angeles, California.

On January 20, 1964, [redacted] California Disaster Office, Meadowview Road, Sacramento, California, advised that WILLIAM P. GALT [redacted] and the California Rangers are in no way connected with the Disaster Office, formerly known as the California Civil Defense Office.

On January 27, 1964, [redacted] Investigative Officer, California Disaster Office, 1121 O Street, Sacramento, California, furnished blank copies of California Disaster Office Identification Cards, one, No. CDO 100, issued to employees of the Disaster Office, and the other, No. CDO 102, issued to volunteers of the Disaster Office.

On January 27, 1964, [redacted] Officer, Secretary of State's Office, Capitol Building, Sacramento, furnished a copy of the Articles of Incorporation of the California Rangers.

The Articles of Incorporation are dated February 25, 1944 and are entitled "Articles of Incorporation of California Rangers," which bears Corporation Number 194263.

The purpose of the organization is described as "to promote Americanism, to augment and develop the qualities of better citizenship, loyalty, and devotion to our Country, the United States of North America,

To combat juvenile delinquency, to teach the youth self control, reliability, dependability, honor, truthfulness, moral and physical courage, to exercise quick thinking,

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knowledge of Military Science, and to cooperate with all other bodies working toward the same or similar ends;---"

The Articles of Incorporation set forth the names and addresses of the persons who were appointed to act as the first directors as follows:

NEIL D. CAMPBELL  
2049 Meadow Valley  
Terrace, Los Angeles

DOUGLAS T. B. MOURAT  
1222 Dunsmuir Street,  
Los Angeles

HARRY BENSON  
183 North El Certo  
Place, Los Angeles

JOSEPH KREUTZER  
1518 Wooster Street  
Los Angeles

BERNARD BLACK  
606 North Genessee  
Street, Los Angeles

The Articles of Incorporation were written on stationery, bearing the name MORTIMER VOGEL, Attorney At Law, 604 Quinby Building, 650 South Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, California. VOGEL also notarized the Articles of Incorporation.

~~The following information was furnished by the~~  
~~Tampa Office:~~



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On November 10, 1963 WILSON's Shop was burned by unknown persons who threw "MOLTOV cocktails" through a window and on the roof.

Investigation conducted by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office indicates that [redacted]

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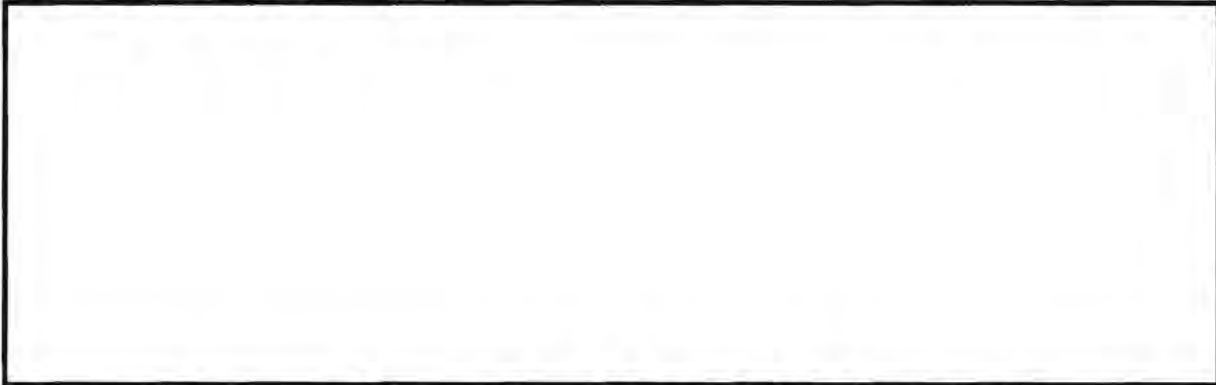
[redacted] probably started the fire, but evidence developed was insufficient to support a criminal prosecution.

As a result of Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office questioning of members of the Christian Knights of the Invisible Empire on November 13, 1963, no further meetings have been held and activities of Christian Knights of the Invisible Empire has virtually ceased.

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Investigation by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office reflected that WILLIAM POTTER GALE, SWIFT and [REDACTED] are three principal members controlling Christian Knights of the Invisible Empire.

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[REDACTED] subsequently made available information pertaining to the organization by the name of the Army of White American Kingdom Evangelists, also known as "Awake", which is believed to have originated with GALE, Lancaster, California. Pertinent portions of the information furnished by [REDACTED] is set forth as follows:

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"OPERATION 'AWAKE'"

"The DEFENSE DIVISION of the CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST, CHRISTIAN has been established with the short title 'AWAKE', representing the Army of White American Kingdom Evangelists.

"Organizational Structure:

"A National Command Headquarters has been established. The continental limits of the United States is divided into four (4) Zones, each consisting of a certain number

"of States and each commanded by a Zone Commander of AWAKE.

"A National Chaplain has been established and the Chaplain General appoints all Zone, State and District Chaplains and supervises the Education Department of AWAKE.

"Each State will contain an AWAKE militia - 'A militia being necessary for the security of a free STATE, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed.'

"The AWAKE militia of each State will be directed by a State Commander and necessary staff. U. S. Congressional Districts with their political subdivision numerical identities will contain AWAKE District Posses, each to be identified by the political subdivision number of their respective State Congressional Districts. (i.e. the 22nd Congressional District of California will contain California District Posse No. 22). State Commanders will be appointed by the respective Zone Commanders.

"Each District Posse will consist of any number of CHAPELS, each Chapel consisting of thirteen (13) men (a squad) plus the wives or adult female members of their families. Each individual will be known as a Christian soldier. Participation is limited to Christians of the white race. Initially, Chapel Leaders might be appointed by Area Coordinators until District Posse commanders are operable, at which time the District Posse commanders may appoint Chapel Leaders. (Each Chapel constitutes a 'tape group' under the AWAKE Education Department.)

"Each CHAPEL will constitute Committees as follows:

"(1) ANTI-CHRISTIAN ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE - will investigate anti-Christian activities in the Chapel's local community and maintain records and data of such activities for use by the District Posse.

"(2) COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE - is responsible for coordinating communications and communications equipment.

"(3) EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE - is responsible for coordinating the supply and maintenance of equipment as required by the Chapel. This includes coordination with District Posse commander for establishment of emergency assembly areas and evacuation routes.

"(4) EDUCATION COMMITTEE - is responsible for acquisition and distribution of educational material, receipt and routing of the Education Department tapes and conduct of weekly Chapel meetings.

"(5) FINANCE COMMITTEE - is responsible for the collection and distribution of Chapel funds as directed.

"A National Education Department of AWAKE has been constituted for the provision of educational material to all Chapels and functions under the supervision of the Chaplain General.

"A National Law Department of AWAKE has been constituted and appoints a Church Attorney General to supervise the law Department. Zone Commanders appoint Zone Church Attorneys; State Commanders appoint State Church Attorneys

"and Posse District commanders appoint Posse District Church Attorneys. All Church Attorneys are under the technical supervision of the National Law Department and under the command supervision of their respective levels. Each should be a member of his respective Bar.

"Each CHAPEL Leader is required to become a dues paying member of the DEFENDERS OF THE AMERICAN CONSTITUTION, INC. of Washington, D.C. and thereby receive the Publication TASK FORCE as educational material for his respective CHAPEL. The Education Department of AWAKE will forward two tape recordings per week to each CHAPEL for use in weekly CHAPEL meetings.

"Financing: AWAKE will be self-financing. Each Christian soldier and participant of a CHAPEL should pledge tithes and offerings of at least Two Dollars per month. Life membership in AWAKE may be obtained by an offering of One Thousand Dollars. The Education Department should receive the initial Fifteen Dollars of tithes and offerings monthly from each CHAPEL to cover the minimum cost of tapes. Additional tithes and offerings may be forwarded to expand the Education Department's activities and as Church offerings. The balance of funds based upon the minimum pledge will be forwarded to Zone Commanders for distribution and payment of evangelist missionary expenses of National Headquarters, Zone Headquarters, and State Headquarters and the District Fosses.

"Oath: All participants in AWAKE will be required to take an oath as prescribed in future instructions.



"Recruitment: It is recommended that Zone Commanders appoint area or regional organizers of coordinators until such time as qualified State Commanders might be appointed. Coordinators should be paid for their work on a basis of One Dollar per person per month. Report forms will be used by Coordinators designating the CHAPELS they organize, thence funds can be appropriated monthly from tithes and offerings to the account of the coordinator. This method should entice good men to work hard and also provide the inducement toward speedy organization. A 'Guide' for Coordinators will be prepared for distribution.

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GUIDE FOR AREA COORDINATORS

"AWAKE

"AWAKE Coordinators are assigned to one or more Congressional Districts as their respective areas of responsibility.

"The CHAPEL is the basic unit of AWAKE and should be the point of initial concentration for a Coordinator. A Chapel Leader should first be sought from the personal acquaintances of the Area Coordinator. This Leader should be trustworthy and dependable. Upon formation of a Chapel, the Area Coordinator should report such information to Zone Hq., Addressed: P.O. Box 911, Lancaster, California, Attn: Col. W.P. Gale. Only the Name, Address and Telephone Number of a Chapel Leader need be reported along with the Chapel Number (see next paragraph). A group of Chapels should first

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"be formed before much effort is directed toward selection of a District Posse Commander for the Congressional District. In the event a Coordinator feels that a District Posse Commander can first be appointed who will voluntarily form a number of CHAPELS in his Posse District, then this decision is left with the Coordinator.

"Awake Area Coordinators need not maintain a record of the individual names of Christian soldiers who participate in Chapels, but the number of participants should be known to the Coordinator. Each Chapel should be designated by the basic number of the Congressional District with a 'dash' number commencing with the number 1. (Chapel 22-1, 22-2 etc for the 22nd Posse District).

"Chapel Leaders should be instructed to forward their Chapel tithes and offerings monthly (the first day of each month) to P. O. Box 911, Lancaster, California, Attn: Col. W.P. Gale. Tithes and offerings of each Chapel should be accompanied by a brief report identifying the Chapel by number and indicating the number of participants. This report will permit proper crediting to the account of the Area Coordinator.

"Chapel Leaders are required to subscribe to the publication of the DEFENDERS OF THE AMERICAN CONSTITUTION, INC. This publication is known as TASK FORCE. Rates are \$5.00 per year and subscriptions should be forwarded to TASK FORCE, P.O. Box 1677, Ormond Beach, Florida, Attn:

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"Area Coordinators should schedule regular meetings with CHAPEL Leaders until such time as sufficient District Posse commanders are appointed who will then maintain this coordination. At that time, the Area

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"Coordinator may schedule meetings with Posse District commanders. These meetings may be semi-monthly and at least monthly. State Commanders will maintain coordination meetings with Area Coordinators and Zone Headquarters.

"Note on Communications: Each CHAPEL should strive toward acquisition of Citizen Band transceivers or participants who are HAM radio operators. The small Walkie-Talkie radio transceivers should be acquired by as many persons as possible. Channels 7 or 9 are usually installed in these.

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"Age of AWAKE Chapel participants. - There are no official age restrictions but the over-all purpose of AWAKE should be recognized by all leadership and the Chapels should correspond to the purpose. 18 to 80 is appropriate. It is suggested that Chapel Leaders form YOUTH GROUPS as an adjunct to the weekly conduct of Chapel affairs. WE NEED TO REACH THE YOUTH OF AMERICA! These youth groups may meet separately from the regular Chapel meetings or they can be conducted simultaneously, depending upon the local conditions such as availability of space, etc. The youth groups should initially be limited to the educational material and upon each youth's approach to a mature understanding of the problems, each one can be considered individually for graduation to an active role in a Chapel or formation of new Chapels with a majority of youth as participants. In all cases, mature adult leadership should be maintained where a majority of the Chapel is of a young age. It might be well to consider youth

"groups under the age of 18 years as Chapel STUDY GROUPS. There are exceptions for individual cases and these exceptions are at the discretion of the Chapel Leaders and the Area Coordinators. Youth tape study groups are essential!

"The possibility of a 'questionnaire' for prospective Chapel members might arise. This can be answered with a strong suggestion that the less red tape the better. Once Chapels commence the AWAKE educational material, a process of elimination should be expected. The basic requirements for participants being white Christians should suffice. Occasionally the enemy poses as such and infiltrates. In these instances, the 'message' will obtain reactions and it has been our experience that this reaction to the truth exposes the infiltration to the true participants. It might be mentioned here that some Chapels might initially be formed with all 'hard-core' - but this is not expected. We feel that the educational material, presented over a reasonable period of time, will DEVELOP hard core. This results from separation of the weak-kneed and filling up with others who become strong as a result of the true Christian teachings presented by AWAKE. Area coordinators should develop methods for constant evaluation of each Chapel and Chapel Leaders. Do not hesitate to replace weakness with strength. Use diplomatic methods for removing weak Chapel leadership by rotation of assignments within the Chapels. Constant attention should be given to functioning of the internal Chapel committees as outlined for the Chapels. This keeps participants busy, as well as providing the action necessary for evaluation and testing.

"Some might feel that 2½ hours of tape recordings is too much. This may be true for initiates - and then again it may not be so. This is a matter for analysis on each local level. We have many groups who spend as much as 5 and 6 hours listening to these tapes. Some cannot get enough after they have once started hearing them. If Chapel meetings commence at 7:30 or 8:00 p.m., all can be home at 11:00 p.m. or even 10:00 p.m. if desirable. The average JBS Chapter meets until after midnight and no one seems to complain. This can be left to the discretion of the local Chapel - and tapes can be played on other than meeting nights at the homes of individuals if they so desire. Zig or Zag - but let the Word be heard.

"Publicizing the background of AWAKE leadership. - This can be better accomplished by word of mouth if at all, and even then carefully. In this fight against communism, the leadership should be protected as much as possible. We also should recognize that our leader is Jesus Christ and this can be the reply to inquisitive people.

"Instruction Booklet. As time permits, we will prepare instruction booklets and guides for AWAKE operations. Initially, we should just 'get going' - because time's awastin'. Some people need detailed and itemized guidance. Others are self-starters. Right now, we need the self-starters - those who can read and analyze a project memo. If all AWAKE coordinators use the material they now have, all AWAKE Chapels will be on the same track. Flexibility should be maintained to meet the needs of different local conditions. The weekly flow of educational material to the Chapels will also assist in maintaining all along certain guide lines.



"A question might arise regarding the 13 participants per Chapel, and their female or other adult members of their families. Where there are previously organized groups with less than the 13 families, the previous set-up need not be disturbed. Simply lay the AWAKE program over the top and spread out on the AWAKE project while keeping the previous group as a separate entity for its original purpose. Let the newcomers come into a separate project and not even be aware of previous projects. The THIRTEEN is our number. See the Great Seal of the United States of America.

"We cannot expect full complement Chapels initially. They should start as smaller groups and fill in to the full complement as they grow with the educational program of AWAKE. Do not attempt restrictions in the area of denomination. Our purpose is to UNITE ALL WHITE CHRISTIANS, regardless of their sect or denomination. This is what Satan and his children fear! Satan and his kids like to keep white Christians (God's people) fighting amongst themselves and these denominations are used for that purpose. We must expect certain rebuffs from those individuals who have been subjected to error in their theological backgrounds. Whether or not they remain in their previous denomination after they hear the truth is an individual matter. The Chapel will no doubt replace the pulpit of many a phoney who is NOT preaching 'THUS SAYETH THE LORD'.

"Contact any local radio enthusiast or radio repair shop for info on Citizen Band radio sets. The Walkie Talkie sets also. Mobile sets are available for cars, with crystals for all channels. This will be a subject for an AWAKE booklet in the future but is flexible. No problem should exist on this subject if initiative is used.



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"It is hoped that the above material can be helpful to Area Coordinators. Please do not hesitate to submit questions and seek assistance from Zone Hq. God bless you all.

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[redacted] stated that the overall structure of Christian Knights of the Invisible Empire as of November 15, 1963 is as follows:

"FIRST FRONT" - This is the Church of Jesus Christ, Christian, and from its faithful members are recruited members for the

"SECOND FRONT" - This is the AWAKE MOVEMENT, and from this group are selected the more militant members who will comprise the

"THIRD FRONT" - This will be the CHRISTIAN KNIGHTS OF THE INVISIBLE EMPIRE, which will have the outward impression of a political-religious group not interested in violence and from this group will be selected the most militant for the

"INNER DEN" - These persons will be the members of the CKIE who commit acts of violence."

The Jacksonville Office advised that the defenders of the American Constitution Incorporated has headquarters and publication office in Ormond Beach, Florida, Post Office Box 1677, and that GORDON E. SMALL is the publication manager.

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It was added that "Task Force" is a publication by the defenders of the American Constitution Incorporated.

*BORN APPROX - 1891 - MRS Gordon E. Small*  
The records of the Daytona Beach, Florida, Credit Bureau show that GORDON E. SMALL has been in file since September, 1957, is 73 years of age, wife ELIZABETH SMALL and resides at 113 Neptune Avenue, Ormond Beach, Florida. Records show SMALL is retired and that he was formerly self-employed in the restaurant business at Morristown, New Jersey. The records show SMALL came to Ormond Beach, Florida, from Smoke Rise, Butler County, New York, and he owns property at 22 South Ocean Street, Daytona Beach, Florida, which is valued at \$70,000. The credit records contain nothing unfavorable concerning SMALL.

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Records of Daytona Beach Credit Bureau had no record identifiable with [REDACTED]

The office of the Secretary of State for the State of Florida, Tallahassee, Florida, had no record showing the Defenders of the American Constitution, Inc., was incorporated in the State of Florida.

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The president of the Defenders of the American Constitution, Inc., [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] stated that SWIFT has been poking fun at GALE and has intimated that GALE is on the verge of being in a serious mental state, and that he has been drinking heavily for some time.

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[REDACTED] advised that the CDL was started several years ago in Los Angeles, California by GALE, SWIFT, and BERTRAND L. COMPARET, and another person whose identity he did not know. He claims that SWIFT has not pushed the CDL because he wanted a more aggressive organization like the Christian Knights of the Invisible Empire.

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[redacted] furnished background and descriptive information concerning GALE which is set forth as follows:

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NAME

GALE, William Potter

Aka: Colonel William P. GALE

RESIDENCE

1840 West Avenue K-4, Lancaster (December 1962 to present  
(January, 1964))

Former Addresses

2/54-12/62	1842 Outpost Drive, Los Angeles 28
11/49-2/54	21137 S. Figueroa Street, Torrance
10/46-11/49	General Headquarters, Far East Command, Tokyo, Japan.
1/46-10/46	New Haven, Connecticut
3/41-1/46	Various United States and overseas military bases.
1/37-3/41	6569 3rd Avenue, Los Angeles

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EDUCATION

2/46-10/46	Military Student, Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut
1935-1936	San Pedro High School, San Pedro, California
1932-1934	Manual Arts High School, Los Angeles
1930-1932	James A. Foshay Junior High School, Los Angeles
1929-1930	Santa Barbara Street Elementary School, Los Angeles
1922-1929	New Monterey Grammar School, Monterey, California

EMPLOYMENT

2/57 to present (January, 1964)	Division Manager, Waddell & Reed, Incorporated. (Investments), 9301 Wilshire Boulevard, Beverly Hills Salary - \$2500.00 per month.
3/56-2/57	Engineer, North American Aviation, Inc., 6633 Canoga Park Boulevard, Canoga Park, California

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4/53-3/56	Unemployed
10/51-4/53	Engineer, Hughes Aircraft Company, Culver City, California
10/34-6/30/50	United States Army Serial #0416089

Note: GALE retired with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. He reportedly receives \$357.18 per month retirement pension. According to information distributed by GALE, he indicates that during World War II, he served under the personal direction of General Douglas MacArthur and that as an Infantry Officer trained in logistics, he was selected by General MacArthur to organize guerrilla forces in the Phillipines. Investigation failed to verify these claims.

#### CITIZENSHIP

GALE is a United States citizen by birth. He was born November 20, 1916 in Saint Paul, Minnesota.

#### BACKGROUND

GALE migrated to the Los Angeles area from Monterey, California in 1925. He has maintained permanent residence in this area since that time.

*MRS. WILLIAM POTTER GALE*  
He is currently single having previously been married

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The Los Angeles County Clerk's Office, Superior Court Records, indicates this marriage was dissolved by divorce, File #D621923, dated December 4, 1962, William



P. Gale, Plaintiff - [REDACTED]  
Date of marriage, June 7, 1937, Place of marriage,  
Los Angeles (Los Angeles County Recorder's Book  
1436, Page 83).

GALE has three children. ~~From this marriage:~~ *N.Y.*  
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These children were all born in San Pedro,  
California. The two daughters reside in the State  
of New York and the minor son, [REDACTED], resides  
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Interlocutory decree of divorce granted  
January 30, 1963. (Final Decree of divorce will  
not be granted until after January 30, 1964.)

As of April 1, 1960, GALE's  
immediate relatives were as follows:

Mother: Mary Agnes ~~Gale~~ nee ~~Potter~~,  
Bell Trailer City, Space 101,  
4874 East Gage Avenue, Bell,  
California.  
Birthplace: Farmington,  
Minnesota.

Father: MRS Charles ~~Gale~~ (Deceased)  
Birthplace: Bismarck, North  
Dakota

Brother: Charles Earl Gale (Deceased)

Brother: [REDACTED] b7C

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Sister:

Sister:



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CRIMINAL RECORD

Criminal files of the Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation, Sacramento, Los Angeles Police Department and the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department failed to disclose any record of Subject.

"ACTIVITIES

GALE through the years, has been extremely active in disseminating anti-Negro and anti-Semitic information. He is a close associate of Dr. Wesley Swift, Minister of the Church of Jesus Christ, Christian, in Lancaster.

Note: An Article in the Los Angeles Times dated May 8, 1962, entitled, "Probe of of 'Hate Groups' Urged by County Unit", states in part that the Los Angeles County Commission on Human Relations identified the Church of Jesus Christ,

Christian, among others, as a hate group. This group, conducted by Wesley A. Swift, reportedly castigates the Jews and Negroes and preaches the maintenance of a "white Christian autocracy".

Several members of Dr. Swift's congregation were recently interrogated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department in connection with an arson investigation. On November 16, 1963, GALE identifying himself as a member of the Church of Jesus Christ, Christian, contacted [redacted] Antelope Valley Station, for the purpose of determining why members of the church were being harassed by the Sheriff's Department.

During the course of the conversation with [redacted] GALE expounded quite freely on his beliefs especially that he was an ardent supporter of individual State's Rights. GALE also stated during this conversation, that he was the organizer of the California Rangers. b7C

According to available information, GALE organized the California Rangers in 1960 for the purpose of augmenting the civil defense agencies and local police functions in the event of a national emergency, military or civil catastrophe.

GALE along with Wesley A. Swift and Attorney Bertrand L. Comporet, reportedly organized the Christian Defense League which would function for Christians as the Anti-Defamation League does for Jews. *calif.*

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"As of April 1, 1960,  
GALE was the leader of the Constitution Party, a  
political organization. He was candidate for  
governor of the State of California on the Constitution  
Party ticket for 1958 and 1962.

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According to the Department of Motor Vehicles, Sacramento, GALE is the registered owner of a 1962 Mercedes-Benz, 4-door Sedan, License #LMR 003.

DESCRIPTION

Name	William Potter GALE, aka
	Colonel William P. Gale
Address	1840 West Avenue K-4, Lancaster
Race	Caucasian
Sex	Male
Birthplace	Saint Paul, Minnesota
Birthdate	November 20, 1916
Height	5'10"
Weight	155
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Brown
Occupation	Stock Broker
Marital Status	Divorced
Social Security #	569-18-2561

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CHRISTIAN KNIGHTS OF THE INVISIBLE EMPIRE,  
aka, Ku Klux Klan



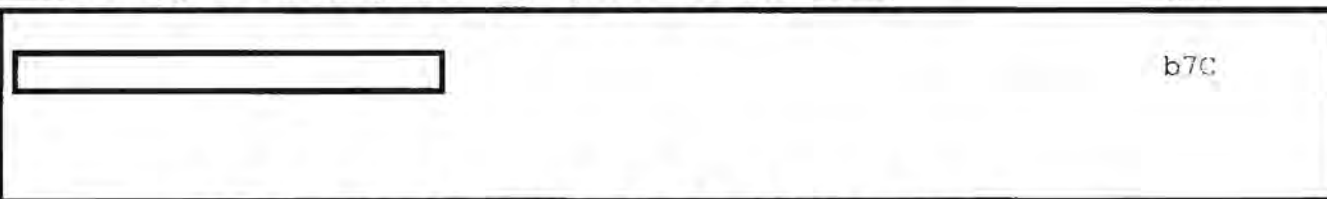
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The source stated that Swift explained to those present that the organization was actually the Ku Klux Klan, but since the Klan was regarded as illegal, they would call themselves the Christian Knights of the Invisible Empire.

According to the source, Swift explained the objectives of the organization as being to preserve the Constitution of the United States and the white race and to fight communism. Members of this organization were issued cloth robes and white hoods with eye holes, the robes bearing on the breast a round blue shield and encircling a red cross. Members were urged to wear sidearms to all meetings.

The source further advised that while William Potter Gale is the California State Leader of the CKIE and Wesley Albert Swift ranks as the second functionary or Chaplain, Swift is, in effect, the real power in the CKIE.

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On November 10, 1963, the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office, Lancaster, California Substation, advised that on that date a television repair shop belonging to this Negro man was burned by the use of "Molotov" cocktails at

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CHRISTIAN KNIGHTS OF THE INVISIBLE EMPIRE,  
aka, Ku Klux Klan

Quartz Hill (Lancaster), California, and that their investigation reflected that the fire was most probably set by [redacted] and another close associate, [redacted]

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The first source advised on November 17, 1963, that the headquarters of the CKIE was then at Swift's home, located at 44616 North Fig Street, Lancaster, California. This source advised on January 8, 1964, however, that Gale may entirely take over the CKIE at Lancaster, California, and in this event the new headquarters would be located at Gale's home, located at 1840 West Avenue K, Lancaster, California.

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